

## MEMORANDUM

To: Joint Fiscal Committee Members

From: Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst

Date: November 7, 2011

Subject: Tropical Storm Irene Temporary Expedited Grant Review Policy Report

Pursuant to the Tropical Storm Irene Temporary Expedited Grant Review Policy, the following is a summary of all grants/donations submitted under this policy to the Joint Fiscal Committee. This policy expired on November 7, 2011; therefore, additional Irene-related grants or donations to the State of Vermont will be subject to the standard grant review process outlined in 32 V.S.A. § 5 and applicable Joint Fiscal Committee policies.

**JFO** #2529 — \$63,000 worth of clothing from VTresponse.com, c/o Reality Venture Capital, LLC, to the Vermont Department of Labor. This Carhartt clothing will be utilized by Vermonters participating in the cleanup from Tropical Storm Irene as part of the Disaster Unemployment Assistance program for people who became unemployed as a result of recent flooding.

[JFO received 10/13/11]

JFO #2533 – \$1,150 worth of office furniture (nine cubicles, five desks) from Denis, Ricker & Brown. This furniture will be used for workers from the Waterbury State Office Complex displaced due to Tropical Storm Irene.

[JFO received 11/02/11]

The following section summarizes other grants that were accepted in the wake of Tropical Storm Irene. These items were not subject to the Tropical Storm Irene Temporary Expedited Grant Review Policy, but were related to the recovery effort, and have been included here for informational purposes only.

JFO #2522 — \$8,250,000 (estimated) grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the Vermont Agency of Transportation. These funds will be used to provide disaster assistance for damages caused by tropical storm Irene in the following counties: Addison, Bennington, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Franklin, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, Rutland, Washington, Windham, Windsor. The actual amount of this award may vary subject to damage assessments. [JFO received 9/8/11]

JFO #2524 — \$195,720 grant from the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to the Vermont Department of Mental Health. These emergency disaster funds will be used to provide crisis counseling for individuals and groups related to the impacts of Tropical Storm Irene. These services will be provided via a contract with Washington County Mental Health.

[JFO received 9/29/11]

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